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### **Procurement Solicitation - Courtroom Furniture**

The US Bankruptcy Court, NDCA (The Court) is soliciting vendors to provide “SMART” counsel tables and lecterns for the courtrooms in the San Jose division.

Vendors interested in receiving a solicitation packet detailing the Court’s requirements should send an email to:

[suzanne\\_mcbride@canb.uscourts.gov](mailto:suzanne_mcbride@canb.uscourts.gov)

All requests for the solicitation packet must be received by COB Friday, Aug 3 2018.

Thank you.

### **Attorney Change of Address**

Effective June 5, 2018, to change an address on an ECF account an attorney must submit a completed [Request to Change Attorney Address in CM/ECF](#) form to the Help Desk. This requirement is in addition to compliance with [Civil Local Rule 3.11](#) (as incorporated by [Bankruptcy Local Rule 1001-2\(a\)](#)).

### **New Toll Free Telephone Number (888) 821-7606 for Assistance**

Not finding what you are looking for on the Court website? Contact the Court at (888) 821-7606 for assistance.

### **Federal Holiday - Independence Day**

All divisions of the Bankruptcy Court will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th, in observance of Independence Day.

### **Notice of Unavailability for Judge Blumenstiel for the Period June 13, 2018 through June 25, 2018**

[Blumenstiel Notice of Unavailability \(13 June - 25 June 2018\).pdf](#)

### **Recruitment to the Bench-Bar Liaison Committee**

The Bench-Bar Liaison Committee (the "Committee") is seeking members of the Bar to serve a three-year term on the Committee. There are currently five (5) vacancies in the Committee and service will commence on July 1, 2018.

Prospective Committee members should review the requirements and selection criteria of General Order No. 15. Trustees and employees of the U.S. Trustee are eligible to apply. Applicants must commit to participate in six to eight Committee meetings each year during their membership term and to otherwise actively further the Committee's mission. To apply for a position on the Committee, please send a letter of interest along with a current resume or curriculum vitae to the Committee Co-Chairs, Janina Hoskins ([jmelder7@aol.com](mailto:jmelder7@aol.com)) and Mark Bostick ([mbostick@wendel.com](mailto:mbostick@wendel.com)) by June 14, 2018.

### **Federal Holiday - Memorial Day**

All divisions of the Bankruptcy Court will be closed on Monday, May 28th, in observance of Memorial Day.

### **Resolution Advocate Recruitment for the Bankruptcy Dispute Resolution Program (BDRP)**

The BDRP invites applications from individuals for appointment to the BDRP Panel of Resolution Advocates. Please visit [Information on Joining BDRP as a Resolution Advocate](#) to submit an application.

### **New Internal Procedures for Processing Chapter 11 Cases**

The Court will implement new internal procedures for processing Chapter 11 cases effective February 20, 2018. The new form of Order and Notice of Chapter 11 Status Conference that will be issued at the commencement of Chapter 11 cases is posted at <http://www.canb.uscourts.gov/procedure/district/order-and-notice-chapter...>

### **Upcoming CM/ECF Live Storage Upgrade**

The Information Technology Department will perform a storage upgrade to CM/ECF next Saturday, March 17, 2018, between 7:00 AM to approximately 12:00 PM. During this time, CM/ECF will be unavailable and all users should log off of CM/ECF before 7:00 AM and should not log back in until after 12:00 PM.

### **Order Temporarily Appointing Hon. Charles Novack as Chief Judge**

**Effective February 25, 2018, and continuing through March 10, 2018**

The Honorable Charles Novack shall be the acting Chief Judge of the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California, in place of the Honorable Roger L. Efremsky.

[Order Temporarily Assigning Chief Judge Responsibilities.pdf](#)

## **UPDATED Guidelines for Valuing Collateral**

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California has adopted new Guidelines for Valuing Collateral, available at <http://www.canb.uscourts.gov/procedures/guidelines>. This updated guideline replaces Guidelines for Valuing Collateral Under § 506 and FRBP 3012 in Individual Chapter 11 Cases and Chapter 13 Cases, dated August 9, 2017.

## **Federal Holiday - Presidents' Day**

All divisions of the Bankruptcy Court will be closed on Monday, February 19th, in observance of Presidents' Day.

## **United States Bankruptcy Court, Northern District of California Court Operations in the Event of a Government Shutdown**

In the event of a government shutdown and until further notice, all divisions will continue to operate under normal schedule, including matters set for hearing and public hours. The court's case management system (CM/ECF) and PACER, will remain available as well.

## **NEW Chapter 13 Plan, effective December 1, 2017**

The U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of California has adopted a new Chapter 13 Plan (NDC 1-1), which becomes effective December 1, 2017. The plan and instructions are available at: <http://www.canb.uscourts.gov/procedures/district>

## **Court Remains Open During Government Shutdown**

Despite a government shutdown, the federal judiciary will remain open and can continue operations for approximately three weeks, through February 9, by using court fee balances and other funds not dependent on a new appropriation.

During this time, scheduled hearings will be held as usual, filings will be accepted, hours of operation, availability of systems, and other services will continue as normal. In the event circumstances change, the Court will provide notice of any changes to scheduled hearings and service levels.

## **UPDATE: San Francisco Division Public Record Access is Available**

Public Access to electronic court records is now available at the San Francisco divisional office located at 450 Golden Gate Avenue.

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## **Federal Holiday - Martin Luther King, Jr. Day**

All divisions of the Bankruptcy Court will be closed on Monday, January 15th, in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

## **Changes to Bankruptcy Local Rules, effective December 1, 2017**

**PLEASE NOTE: This version (11/21/17) was modified to clarify the intent of BLR 3007-1(c).**

Redline of revised Bankruptcy Local Rules 1001-3, 1007-1, 1015-1, 3007-1, and 3015-1 is below.

[Redline of revised BLR 1001-3, 1007-1, 1015-1, 3007-1, 3015-1 \(Effective December 1, 2017\)v2](#)

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